

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**HB 3548 - SB 3723**

March 21, 2006

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Enacts the "Tennessee Fair and Independent Congressional Redistricting Act of 2006. This act would form a Tennessee Congressional Redistricting Commission responsible for establishing the composition of districts for the election of members of the United States House of Representatives.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

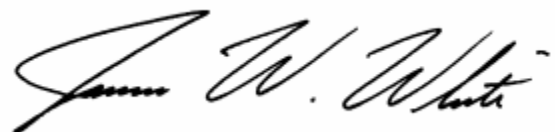
**Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$400,000/Every year  
ending in one for a period of approximately one year**

Assumptions:

- The commission would be composed of five members who would not receive compensation but would be eligible for reimbursement for expenses and mileage.
- The commission would be empowered to employ the services of experts, consultants and other staff as necessary to carry out their required duties.
- The commission would need a minimum staff of: director, attorney, GIS specialist, and three field employees. Such individuals would receive salary, benefits, and reimbursement for travel and other expenses.
- The commission would be required to maintain a web site for each year of service and in years between service the Office of the Comptroller would be required to maintain such website.
- Witnesses may be reimbursed by the commission.
- The commission would be required to publish the results of its redistricting plan in at least two newspapers of general circulation in each of the grand divisions.
- Expenditures would begin in 2011 and occur every ten years thereafter.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director